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SUBJECT: LIST OF RECENTLY REGISTERED VESSELS POSSIBLY ENGAGED
IN DRUG TRAFFICKING

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1. AS REQUESTED REFTEL A, EMBASSY HAS COMPILED A LIST OF
RECENT REGISTRIES OF SMALL COASTAL FREIGHTERS OR FISHING BOATS
WHICH FIT POSSIBLE TRAFFICKING PROFILE. CAPTAIN ERIN O'CONNOR,
COMMANDANT OF HONDURAS NAVAL FORCE, PROVIDED EMBOFF WITH
SELECTED REGISTRY FILES ON VESSELS WHICH IN FORMER'S OPINION WOULD
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BE MOST LIKELY SUSPECTS. IT IS NOTEWORTHY THAT MOST WERE BUILT
IN BARRANQUILLA IN THE PAST TWO YEARS AND THAT THE OWNERS OF JULIANA
I
AND YOSURU, VESSELS RECENTLY DETAINED BY USCG WITH LARGE
CARGOES MARIJUANA, ALSO APPEAR AS OWNERS OF TWO OR MORE OF
VESSELS IDENTIFIED BY O'CONNOR, OR HAVE SIMILAR NAMES.

2. FOLLOWING DATA RELATE TO 15 SUSPECT VESSELS REGISTERED IN HONDURAS DURING PAST YEAR. RECORDS SHOW ALL WERE COMPLETED IN NORTH COAST COLOMBIA YARDS IN 1974 TO 1976. ALL HAVE STEEL HULLS.

VESSEL	OWNER	LENGTH IN METERS	GROSS TONS
LUCERO	HERNANDO SARTA MARADEY	13.14	56
SAN RAFAEL	JOSE DE LOS SANTOS CACERES REYES	21.5	170
RANGER	LAUERCINO IGUARAN URIANA	36.6	185
JOSE GREGORIO	FERNAN ENRIQUE OLIVERA GUERRA	12.3	40
DONA CETILIA	JOSE DE LOS SANTOS CACEROS REYES	21.64	170
HELENA	JUVENCIO RAUL QUINONES	13.1	20
LILIANA	FLORENTINO BRUGES GRANADOS	18.4	59.3

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GRAN ARIS	ZOILA CURVELO BERNIER	30.5	147
MOBY DICK	#	28.5	40
NELSON RAFAEL	JOSE RAMON SANCHEZ LUGO	21	59
RICELI	SRA RITA VARGAS DE BOHORGUEZ	23	126
MEIRI	#	21.6	170
CARMEN	#	24EI	190
ROSEMARY	#	48	403
PATRICIA	## ALVARO ERNESTO LEON SANCHEZ	17.6	93

NOTES: # SAME OWNER AS JULIANA I - SINTLICIO CACERES REYES
SAME OWNER AS YOSURU

3. FOLLOWING ARE DATA ON ADDITIONAL VESSELS FOR WHICH REGISTRY

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY HONDURAS, BUT WHICH GOH NOT PROCESSING.

VESSEL	OWNER	LENGTH IN METERS	GROSS TONS
MARGARITA SEGUNDA	HERNANDO SARTA MARADEY	12.7	22
DON ELIAS	FLORENTINO GONZALEZ PEREZ	21.3	119
DONA ADELMA	FLORENTINO GONZALEZ PEREZ	21.6	170
BONNY	JUAN MANUEL IVANEZ VANEGAS	21.7	122

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DON LUIS	RAMON MENDIVIL JARABA	18.1	100
RICKY	JUAN MANUEL IVANES VANEGAS	22.9	145

4. CAPTAIN O'CONNOR ASKED THAT HE BE ADVISED WHICH VESSELS, IF ANY, ARE ACCORDING TO USG INFORMATION ENGAGED IN TRAFFICKING SO THAT HE MAY REVOKE REGISTRATIONS AND ADVISE HONDURAS CONSULS ACCORDINGLY.

5. CAPTAIN O'CONNOR ALSO PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFORMATION OF POSSIBLE INTEREST. A SOURCE IN HONDURAS BAY ISLANDS CLAIMS KNOWLEDGE OF A BOAT WHICH IN SEPTEMBER MADE A DELIVERY FROM DOMINICAN REPUBLIC TO U.S. VIA BAHAMAS. HE IS FOLLOWING UP THIS LEAD FOR DETAILS. SOURCE SAID VESSELS ENGAGED IN TRAFFICKING HAVE A SIGN AND COUNTERSIGN SYSTEM SUCH AS DISPLAY OF A PINK CLOTH TO INDICATE "ALL IS WELL." O'CONNOR ALSO IS FOLLOWING UP A REPORT THAT A HONDURAS LUMBER EXPORTER IS PACKING NARCOTICS IN VOIDS IN BUNDLES OF LUMBER SHIPPED TO U.S. HE OFFERED TO SECURE AND PROVIDE NAMES OF EXPORTER AND U.S. IMPORTER.
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